

To: FCC

From: Jeff Mikorski
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RE: 05-311

To Whom It May Concern:

It is my understanding that if video franchises are eliminated, local programming (PEG) channels will not be mandatory and will be eliminated. I am against the destruction of the local channels since they are an important way for communities to get local information directly from the local government or board of education. Opponents of the PEG channels and video franchises are clearly putting business over the needs of the community. Please vote against the removal of video franchise agreements in any bills.

Small communities, such as Morgantown West Virginia, utilize the local Government Access Channel to broadcast local government meetings and provide information 24 hours a day with an electronic Bulletin Board. It has increased the amount of people that get involved with local issues and provides an objective source of information for all to view.

Sincerely,

/signed

Jeff Mikorski